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Market access notice 2023/01

Export of livestock to the State of Sarawak, Malaysia

Species: All livestock

Classification(s): Breeder, feeder and slaughter

Market(s): State of Sarawak, Malaysia

Attention

Licenced livestock exporters

- Meat and Livestock Australia
- LiveCorp
- Australian Livestock Exporters' Council
- Departmental staff

Purpose

To advise licenced livestock exporters of recent changes to the import conditions for livestock exported from Australia to the State of Sarawak (Sarawak), Malaysia.

Key points

- On 3 April 2023 and 17 April 2023, the Department of Veterinary Services, Sarawak, published updated import conditions for livestock.
- The updated import conditions, as published, are not able to be complied with by licensed livestock exporters.
- Licenced livestock exporters seeking to export livestock to Sarawak will need to seek dispensations, via their importer, on an import permit by import permit basis for each consignment.

Instructions

- 1) Licenced livestock exporters sourcing and preparing livestock for export to Sarawak must seek import permit(s) for each consignment.
- 2) Licenced livestock exporters must review the issued import permit(s) and attached import conditions and seek written dispensations through their importer for all clauses that are unable to be met.
 - a. The antibiotic, streptomycin sulphate, is not able to be administered to livestock in Australia.

- b. State and territory governments are not able to certify to state, district or area freedom from non-notifiable diseases in the absence of an official active surveillance program.
- c. Laboratory tests for certain diseases may not be available in Australia.
- 3) The import permit and any required dispensations must be submitted to the department with the relevant Notice of intention to export (NOI) application.
- 4) If uncertain whether the import conditions attached to an import permit can be met, licenced livestock exporters should send the import permit and attached import conditions to: livestockexp@agriculture.gov.au

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